

WASHINGTON - Today, U.S. Representative Mike Quigley (IL-05) released the following statement in response to the President's State of the Union address:

"The President has a 21st century vision for America that promotes economic prosperity and protects our citizens with sensible policies that a majority of Americans support.

□ We can create jobs and increase our competitiveness by using American innovation and entrepreneurship to rebuild our crumbling infrastructure, invest in clean energy, and create a high-skilled immigration system that attracts and retains foreign talent.

□ We can provide long-term economic security with a big, balanced and bipartisan budget plan that addresses deficit reduction and entitlement reforms while protecting seniors and the middle class. □

And we can protect our children with commonsense gun law reforms that keep dangerous weapons out of the hands of dangerous people."

Guided by principles of the Simpson-Bowles budget alternative, Rep. Quigley has led a push for a "[3B Budget Plan](#)" that is **b**ipartisan, achieves **b**ig deficit reduction, and **b**alances spending cuts with tax reform. He is the author of

[Reinventing Government: The Federal Budget](#)

, a report which offers 60 recommendations to save \$2 trillion over the next 10 years. Rep.

Quigley also has a long history of

[pushing for commonsense gun control reforms](#)

and has

[called on Congress to stand up to the gun lobby](#)

in order to address the growing problem of gun violence in America

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